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Amendment

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Offered by:

REP. MINER, 66th Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. **6956**

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(As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR FIREFIGHTERS, POLICE OFFICERS AND EMERGENCY RESCUE WORKERS."

After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:

"Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2007) (a) There is established an account to be known as the police and firefighters occupational exposure account. The account shall contain any moneys required or permitted by law to be deposited in the account and shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. Investment earnings credited to the account shall become part of the assets of the account.

(b) Amounts in the police and firefighters occupational exposure account shall be available to fund the cost of reimbursement of employers and insurance carriers for benefits required to be paid

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under the provisions of sections 1 and 3 of this act and section 7-433c of the general statutes, as amended by this act.

- Sec. 502. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the cost of payments of benefits required to be paid under the provisions of sections 1 and 3 of this act and section 7-433c of the general statutes, as amended by this act, shall be paid by the employer or its insurance carrier, which shall be reimbursed for such cost from the police and firefighters occupational exposure account, as provided in section 4 of this act, upon presentation of any vouchers and information that the Labor Commissioner may require.
- (b) On September 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, the Labor Commissioner shall determine the amount of benefits required to be paid under the provisions of sections 1 and 3 of this act and section 7-433c of the general statutes, as amended by this act, during the preceding fiscal year. If the amount paid exceeds the resources of the account, the commissioner shall reimburse employers or insurance carriers on a pro-rated basis.
- Sec. 503. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The sum of twenty million dollars is appropriated to the Labor Department, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, for deposit in the account established pursuant to section 4 of this act."

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